# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION FILED 1/11/2024 THOMAS G. BRUTON CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT

NICHOLAS MECHLING AND CHRISTOPHER MECHLING,

Plaintiffs,

Judge Andrea R. Wood

Case No.: 1:23-cv-05282

**JXM** 

v. Magistrate Judge Young B. Kim

THE PARTNERSHIPS AND UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATIONS IDENTIFIED ON SCHEDULE "A",

Defendants.

#### **DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO DISMISS**

- 1. I am the owner of eBay account in the name of *ma-shash-hpmeq1rlv7*, account id number 1998829807, one of the defendants in this case.
- 2. My name is Shaked Makbili. I am a 25-year-old engineering student and Muay Thai personal trainer based in Israel.
- 3. On August 2022, I ordered a pair of Muay Thai shorts from the company ActionZone through their online site. The company is located in Bangkok and is well known as a quality retailer of authentic Muay Thai gear (Exhibit 2 & 3 Seller website & Google seller page).
- 4. Seller's order summary is presented in Exhibit 4.
- 5. PayPal transaction details for the order is shown in Exhibit 5.
- 6. A photo showing the full order, which included personal Muay Thai Training equipment such as 1 pair of gloves, 1 pair of kicking pads, etc., is shown in Exhibit 6. Photo taken by seller and sent via WhatsApp.
- 7. One of the items in the order was training shorts from the "Twins Special" brand, a Muay Thai clothing and equipment brand founded in 1991 in Thailand (Exhibit 1 Brand Wikipedia page). As the shorts didn't fit me, I resold them through my personal eBay account for net profit of 74.42 USD. (Exhibit 9)
- 8. I sold the item on July 18, 2023, and proceeded to ship it to the address of "Julia Roberts, Chicago, IL" (Full address was later deleted from account) (Exhibit 10) Later discovered to be the plaintiff's attorney address.
- 9. The ebay account that was used to list and sell the shorts, is my personal eBay account, used mainly to buy off eBay marketplace, and was occasionally used to sell personal items. The first item that was sold by me in this account was November 2021. Total revenue from all sales on eBay platform, including taxes and fees, is 380.02 USD. (Exhibit 7)

- 10. On September 18, 2023, I received notice via email by Keith A. Vogt, Attorneys for Plaintiffs Nicholas Mechling and Christopher Mechling that I am being sued for trademark/copyright infringement and counterfeiting in a Chicago court. I was sent a copy of the complaint as well as a temporary restraining order, summons, preliminary injunction motion, notice of motion, and memorandum in support. The PayPal account associated with my email address was frozen, including all of my funds inside.
- 11. I sent a response on September 19, expressing my intent to cooperate and resolve the matter and provide any needed documentation. On September 26, they responded with an offer to consider a settlement. The evidence of the infringing product they shared was a screenshot of my eBay store, showing a listing of a T-shirt I never sold, of a different Thai brand named "Raja" (Exhibit 11).
- 12. On September 28, I again replied that I believed there was an error in including my eBay store in the lawsuit, as I believe my listing involved a genuine product, and requesting removal of my store from the lawsuit.
- 13. On Oct. 23, A month later, I received additional correspondence from the attorney including a screenshot of their purchase of my shorts. On November 7, they asked to settle for 5,000 USD. They followed up asking again for 5,000 USD on November 27. I did not respond to this letter. On Dec. 19, they sent an email claiming that I did not respond, hence they filed for a motion of default judgement, scheduled for next month, Jan. 19.
- 14. It is obviously wrong claiming that I didn't respond to the plaintiffs' attorney emails. I immediately defended the plaintiffs' claims and responded to the plaintiffs' emails as described. The plaintiffs' attorney did not show any evidence that the item was counterfeit.
- 15. Even in the unlikely case the item that I sold was counterfeit, I did not sell any items of the "Twins" company besides the one item that was bought by the plaintiffs' attorney, hence I claim Lack of Intent.
- 16. Considering the above, the plaintiffs are not eligible for asking court for default judgment. In similar cases, the plaintiffs' were allegedly committing a fraud on the court.
- 17. Hereby I ask the Judge to give a motion to dismiss with prejudice.

I certify that everything in the Motion is true and correct. I understand that making a false statement on this form is perjury and has penalties provided by law under 735 ILCS 5/1-109.

DATED: January 11, 2024 Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Shaked Makbili Hama'aracha 22 Tel Aviv, Israel 6706424 Tel: +972-58-455-0005 E-shaked614@gmail.com

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on January 11, 2024, I will electronically file the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system, I will electronically publish the documents on a website, and I will send an e-mail to the e-mail address provided for plaintiffs' attorney.

/s/ Shaked Makbili Shaked Makbili

#### Twins Special

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From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Twins Special Co., Ltd., also known as Twins Special is a Thai sports equipment manufacturing company, focused on Muay Thai, boxing, and physical fitness, which markets its products worldwide. The company based on Suan Luang, Krathum Baen, Samut Sakhon, outskirts Bangkok.

Twins Special was founded in 1992 from a small shophouse to a standard factory with over 500 workers. To this day, it produces more than ten thousand boxing gloves and exports to foreign countries a month. In 1990s, it subsequently sponsored Samson Dutch Boy Gym, Ratanapol Sor Vorapin, Sirimongkol Singmanasak, Pongsaklek Wonjongkam, including many Thai boxers.

The company is also licensed as a boxing glove for competitions of four major organizations, consists of World Boxing Council (WBC), World Boxing Association (WBA), International Boxing Federation (IBF), and World Boxing Organization (WBO).[2]

One point of Twins Special is the production of boxing gloves and trunks in a variety of colours and patterns to attract people of all genders and ages, such as children or women, to become more interested in combat

It currently has four outlets in total: Suan Luang, Krathum Baen, Samut Sakhon (headquarters), Rajadamnern Boxing Stadium, Bangkok, Lumpinee Boxing Stadium, Bangkok, and Suan Luang Square in the Suan Luang quarter near National Stadium, Bangkok.[1][3]

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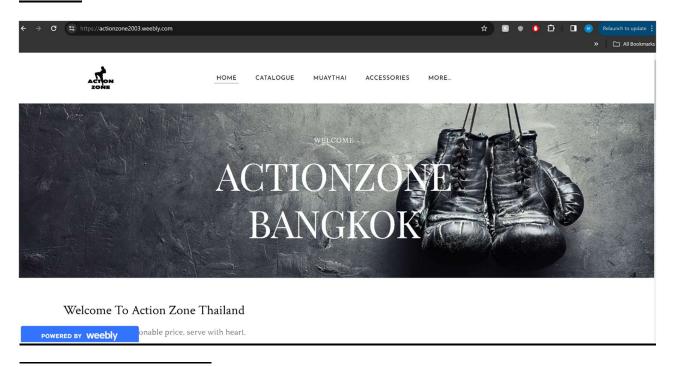
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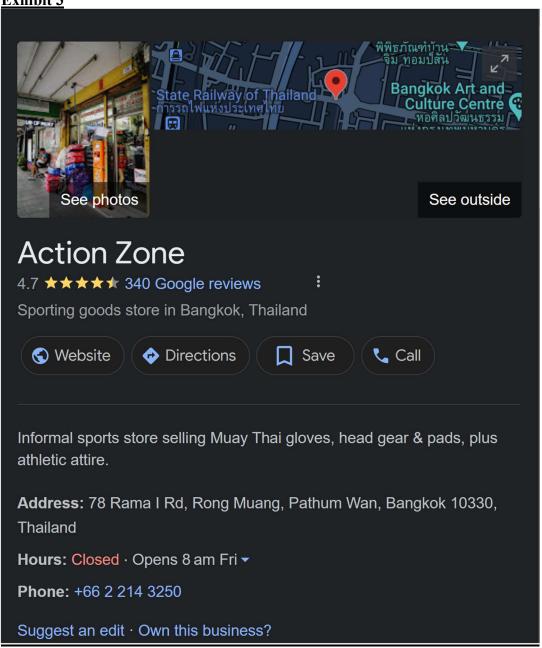
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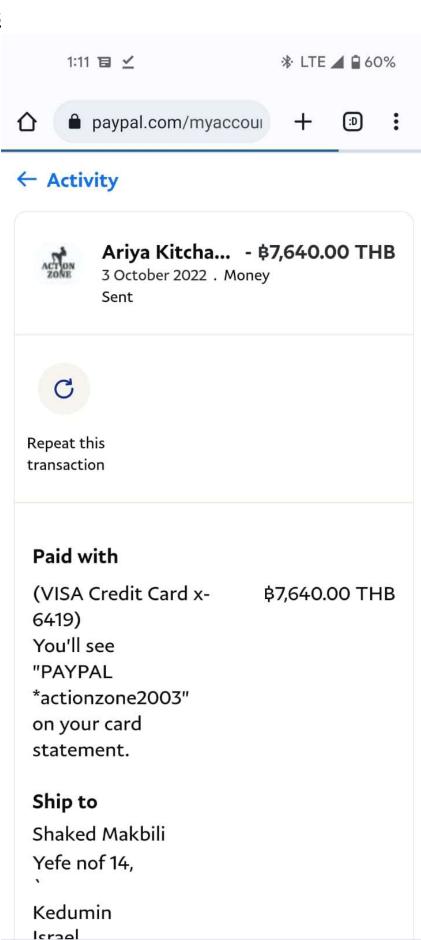
Boxing gloves and equipment, clothing

Website twinsspecial.com

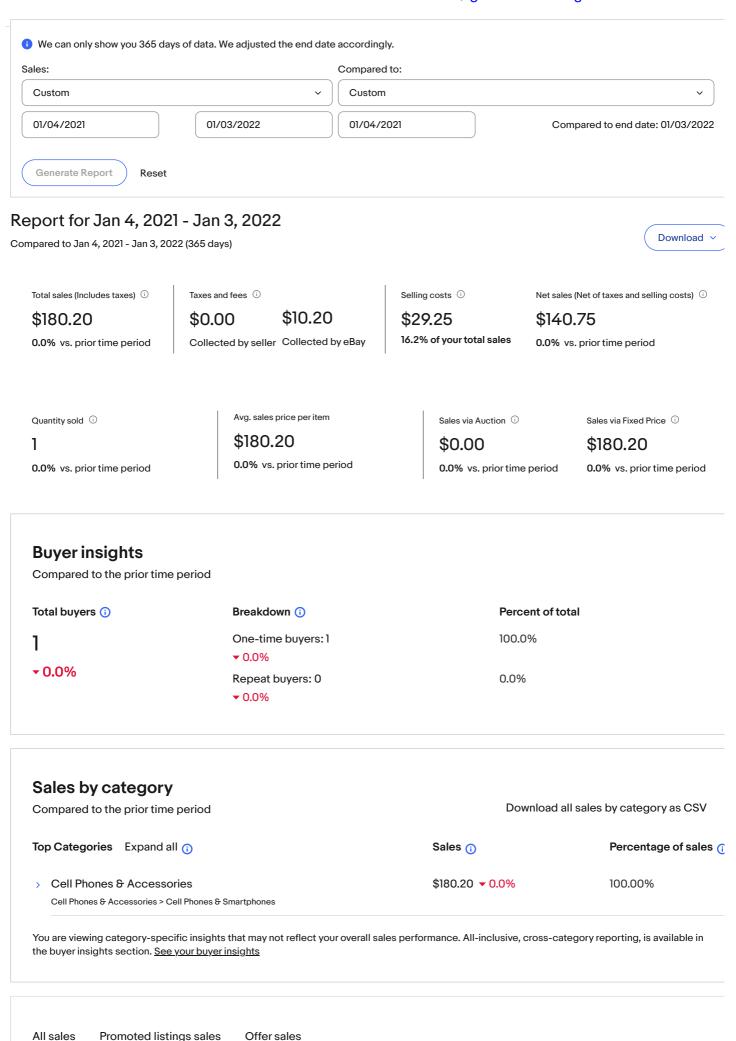


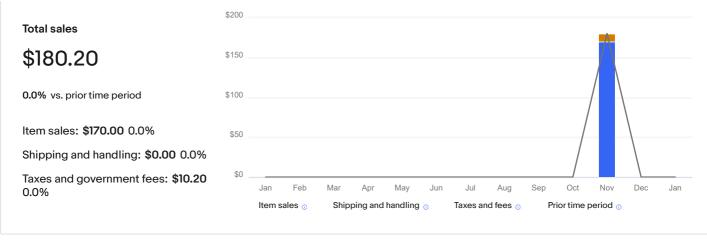


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		M	BS1901		1 960	960
	Focus Mitts	STD	FMV13	RD/BK	1 2490	2490
RAJA	Gloves leather	14 oz	RBGV-1	dark green	1 1700	1700
	Belly Pad Leather	M	RBP-1A	red	1 1500	1500
	shirt #2	M		black	1 450	450
	shorts	L	Leopard	black	1 500	500
	bag glove velcro	М	RTBG-2	sky blue	1 1100	1100
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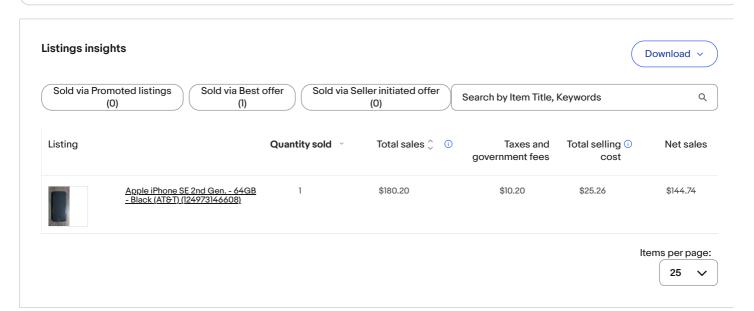


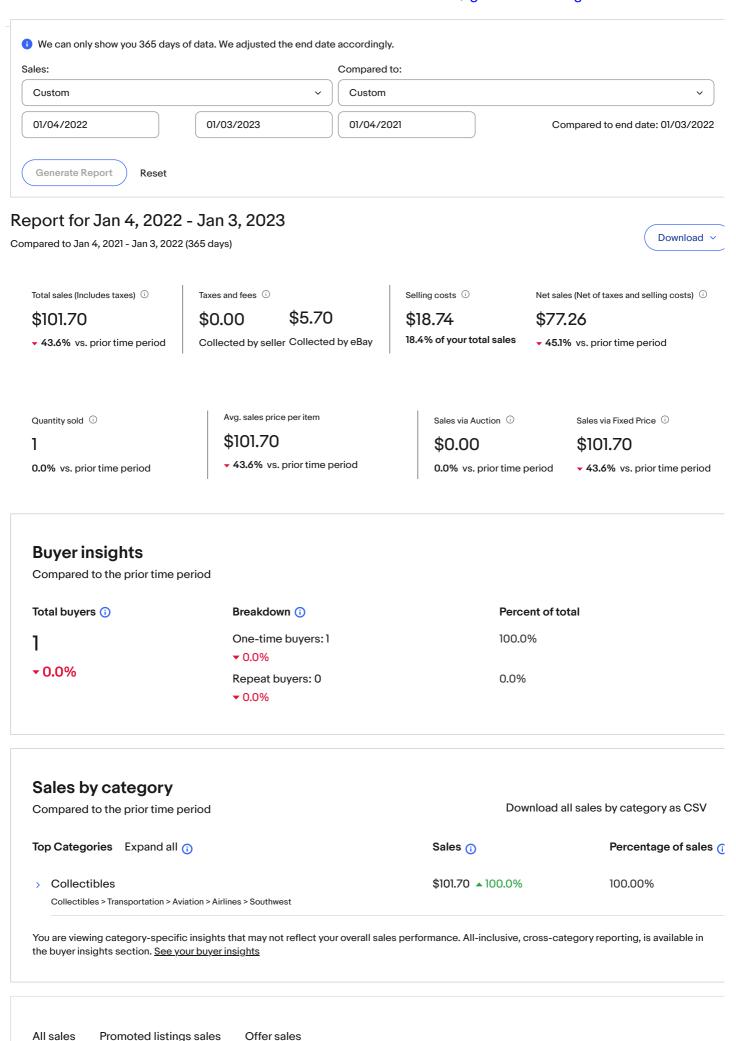


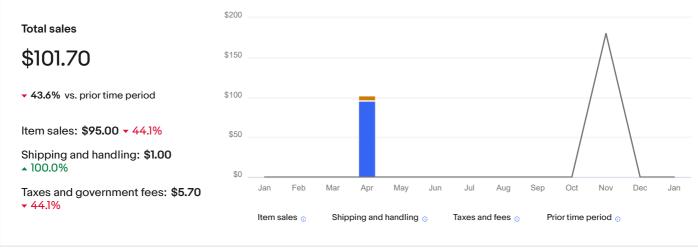


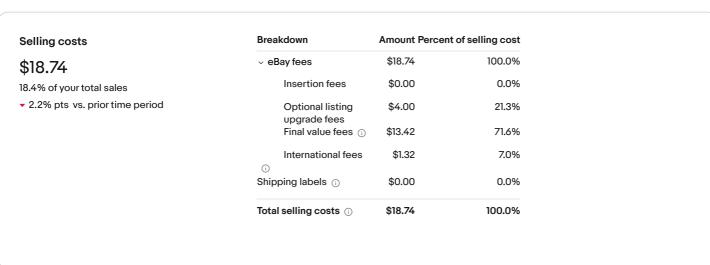


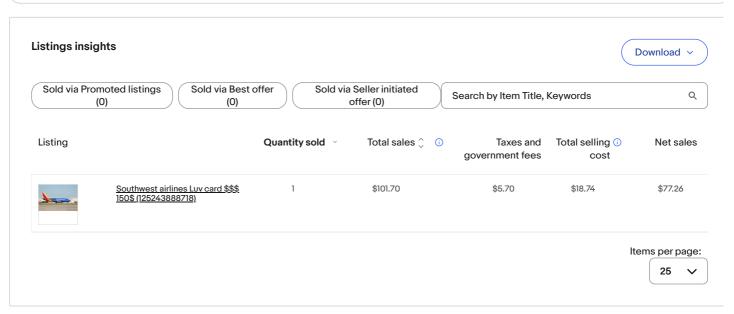
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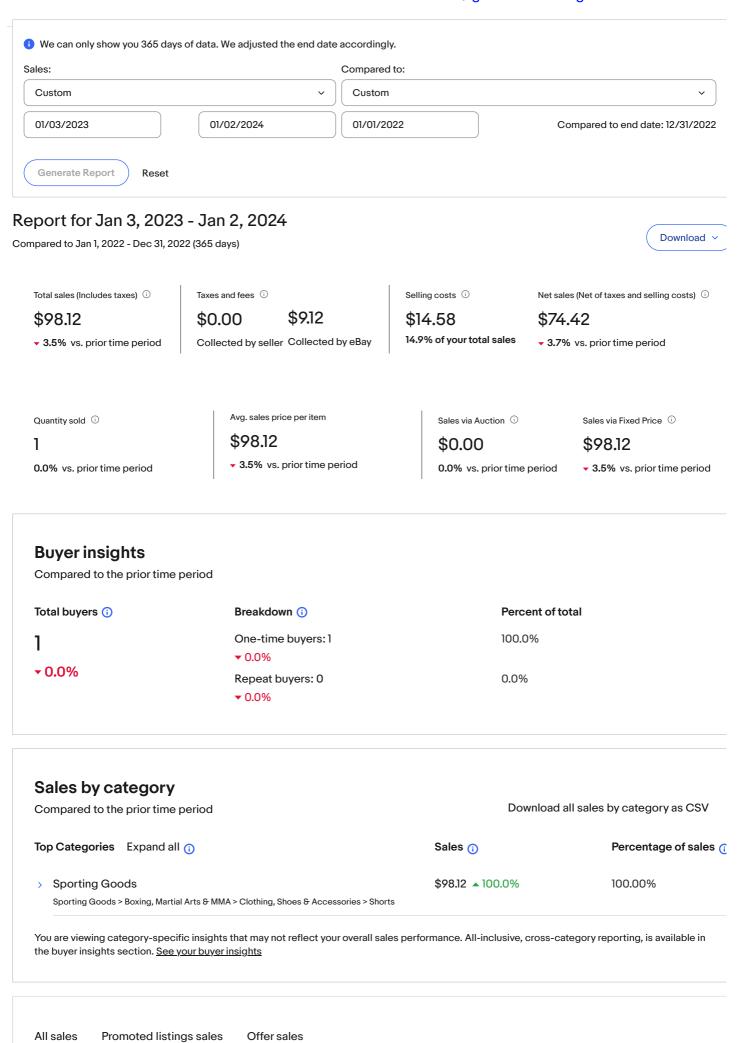






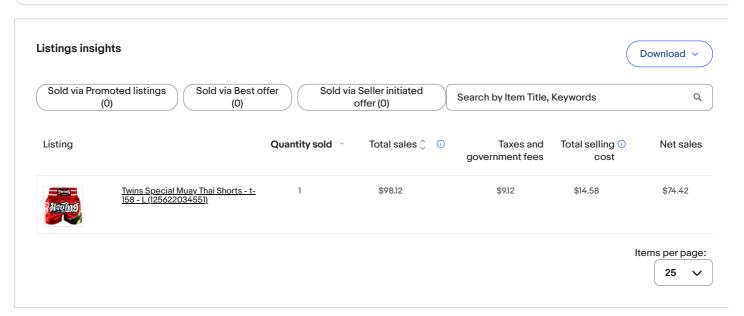


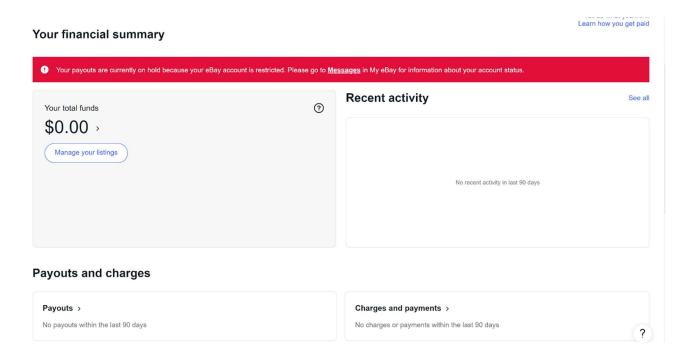


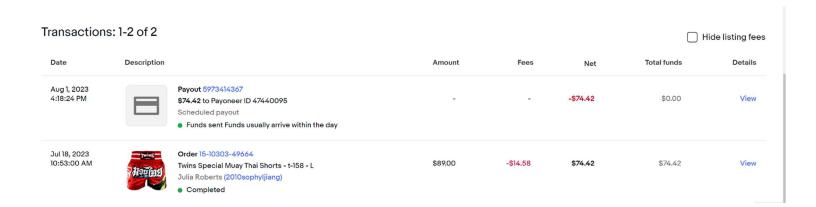


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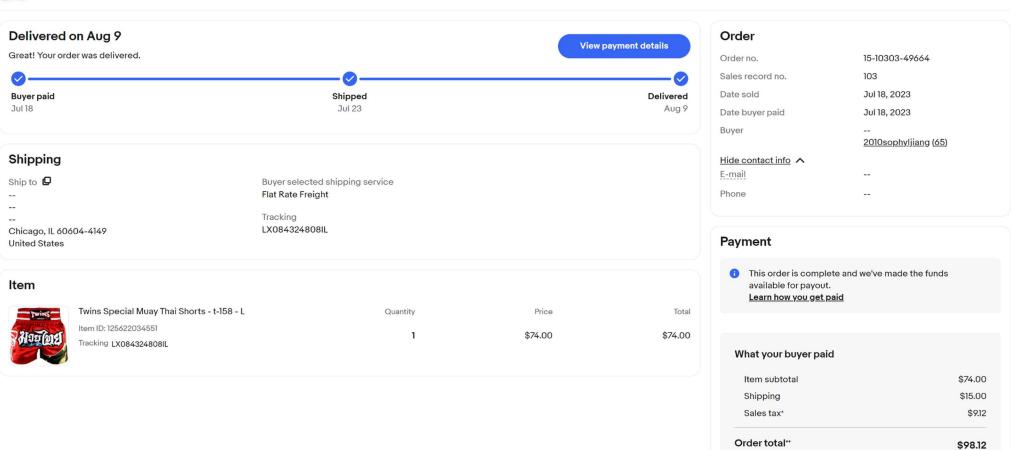


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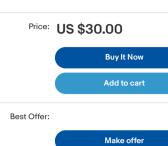
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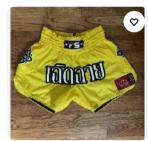
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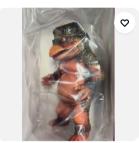
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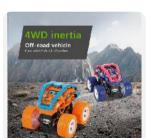
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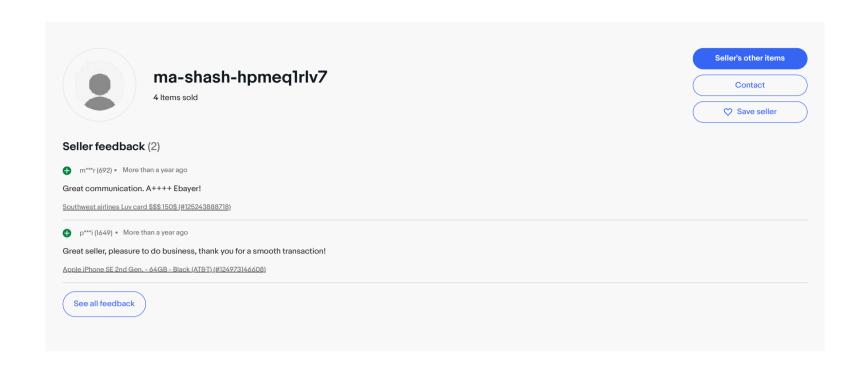
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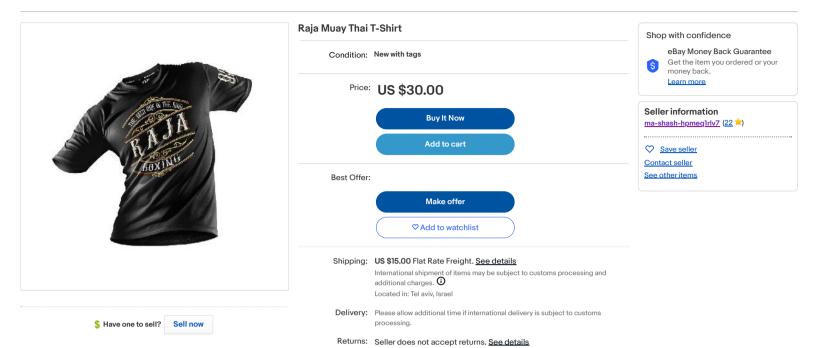


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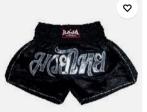
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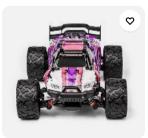
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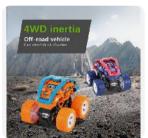
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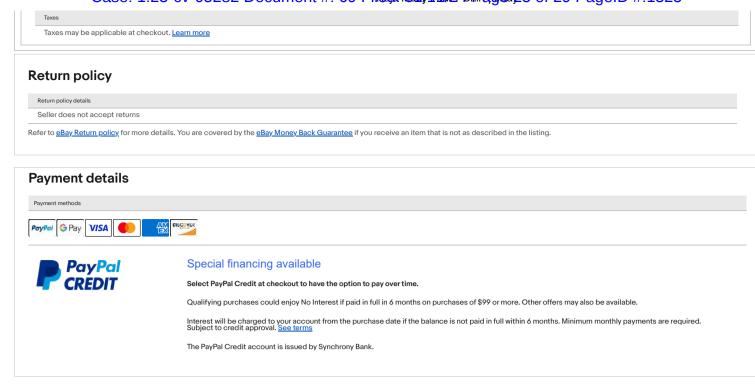
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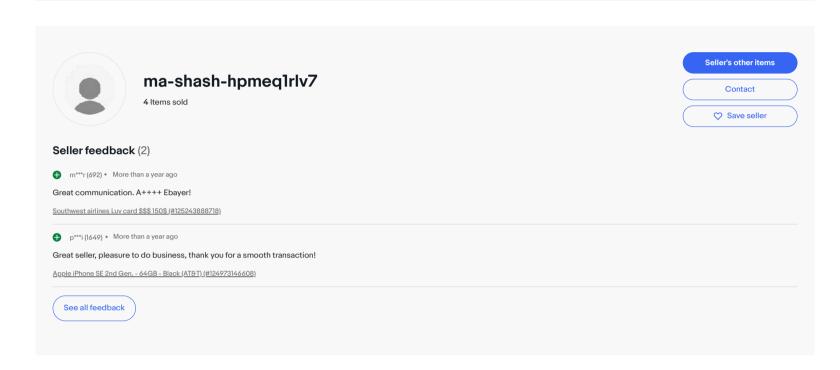
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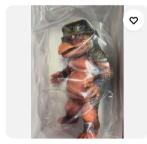
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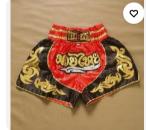
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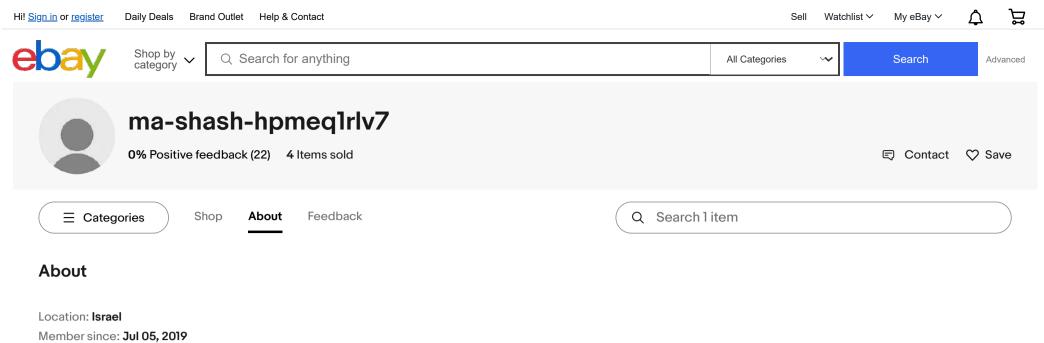












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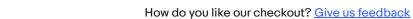
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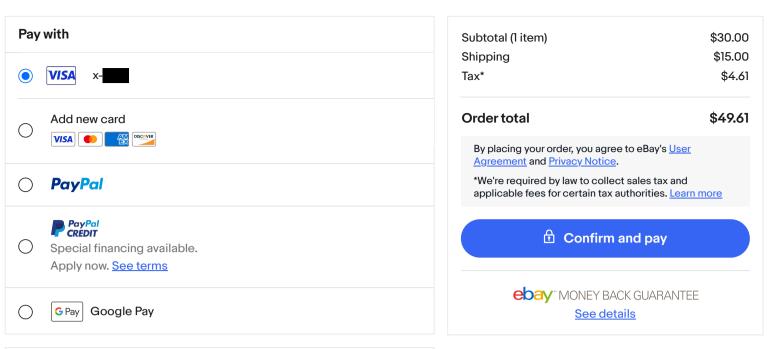
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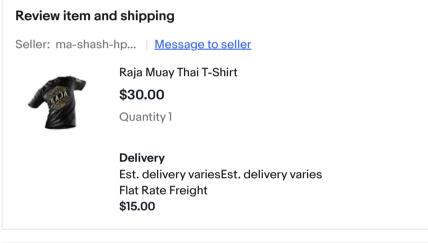
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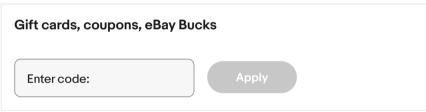












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